



Accelerated Insertion of Materials – Composites



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- MIT – Dr. David Wallace – DOME, Architecture
- Northrop Grumman – Bethpage – Blind Validation
- Northrop Grumman – El Segundo – Producibility Module
- **Stanford University** – Durability – Test Innovation



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AIM-C Alignment Tool



The objective of the AIM-C Program is to provide concepts, an approach, and tools that can accelerate the insertion of composite materials into DoD products

AIM-C Will Accomplish This Three Ways

Methodology - *We will evaluate the historical roadblocks to effective implementation of composites and offer a process or protocol to eliminate these roadblocks and a strategy to expand the use of the systems and processes developed.*

Product Development - *We will develop a software tool, resident and accessible through the Internet that will allow rapid evaluation of composite materials for various applications.*

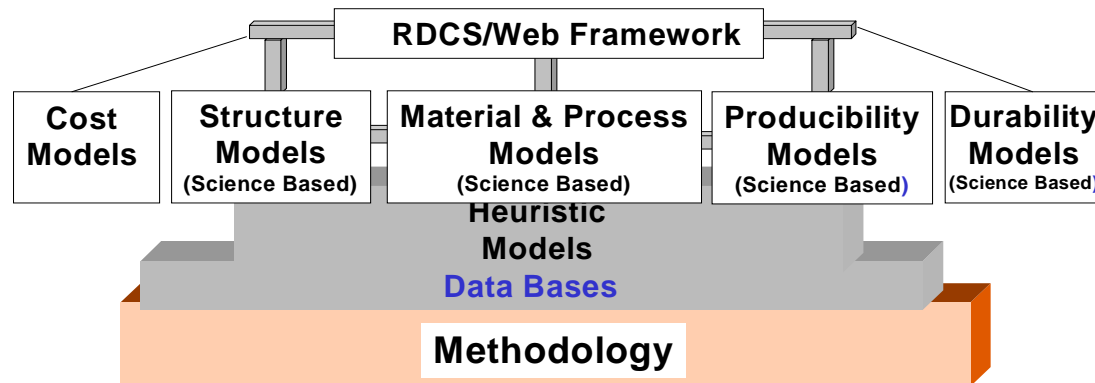
Demonstration/Validation - *We will provide a mechanism for acceptance by primary users of the system and validation by those responsible for certification of the applications in which the new materials may be used.*



The Plan



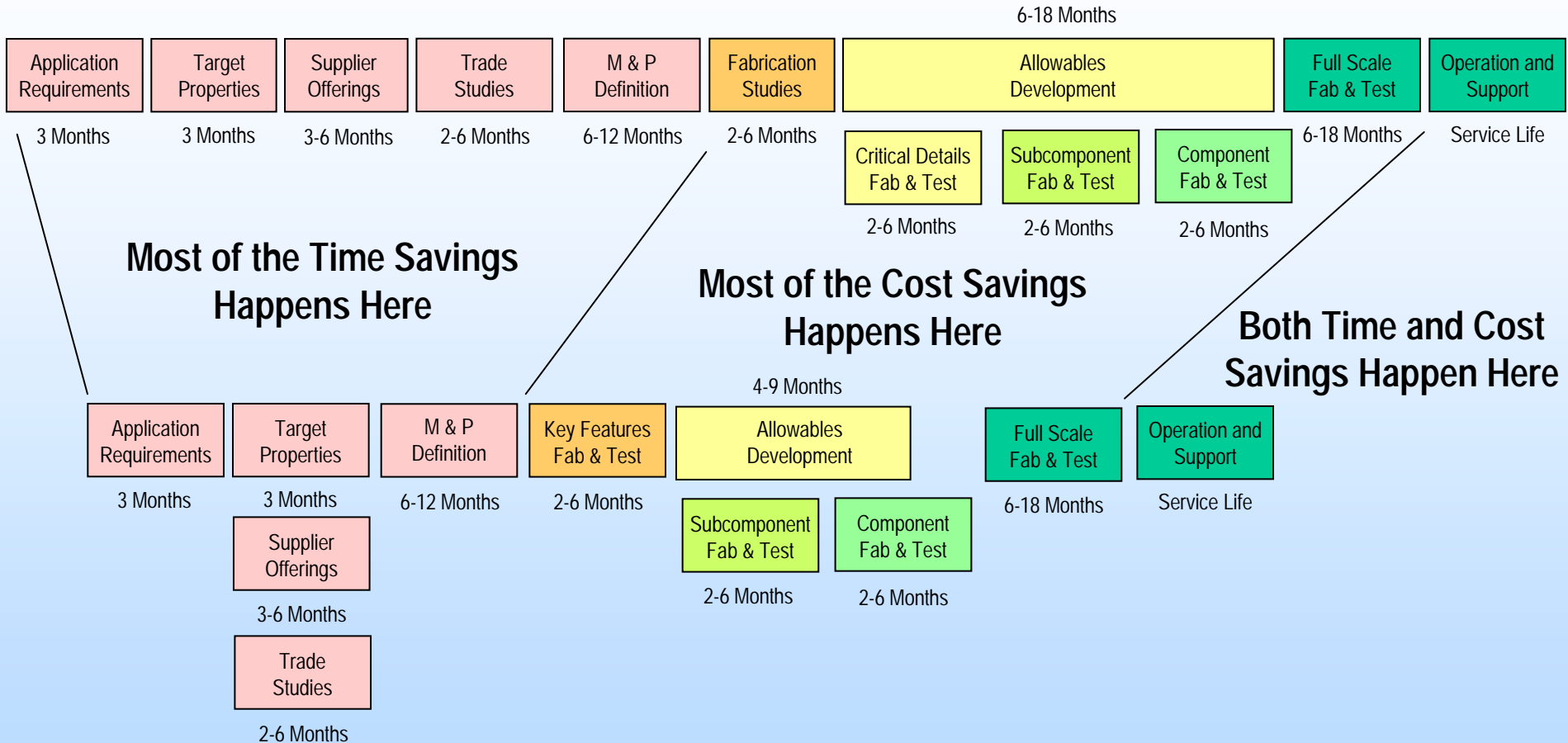
- Incorporate methodology into an interface that guides the user and tracks the progress of technology maturation to readiness
- Deliver software in steps toward a useable system as analysis modules are completed
- Demonstrate capability through system validation, compelling technical demonstration, and a 'blind validation' to insure usability





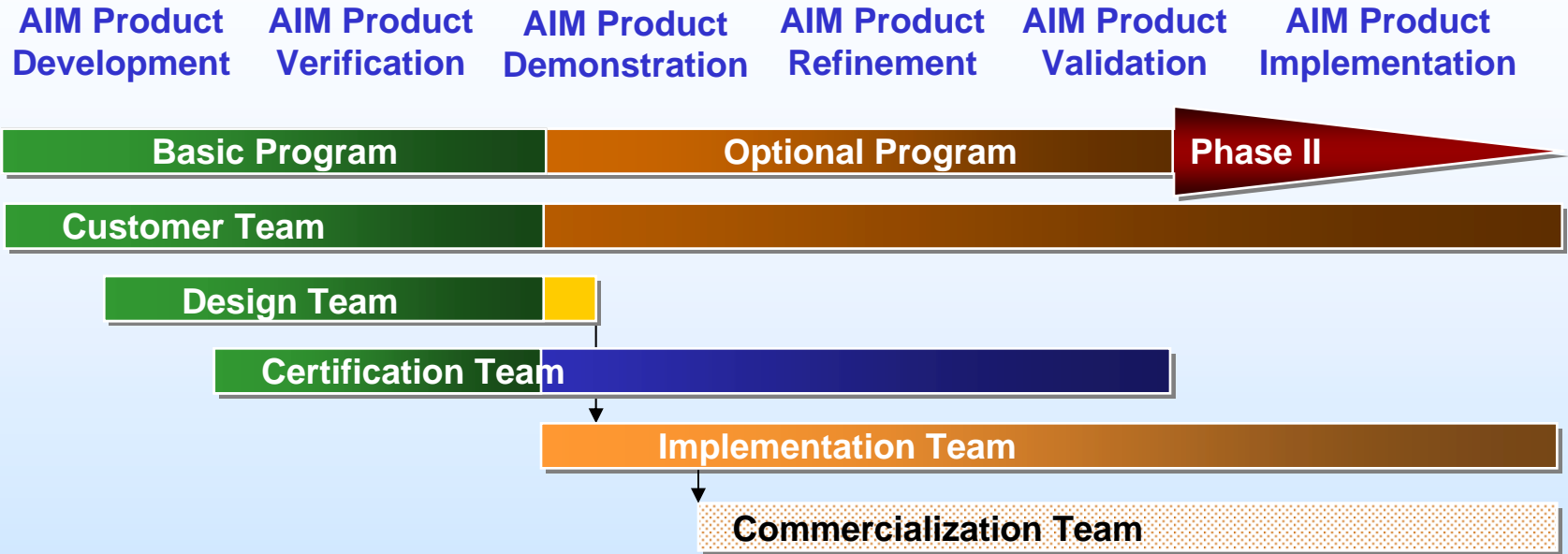
AIM-C Material Maturation Methodology

Cuts Time But Retains the Discipline





Technology Transition Plan



Customer Team – To ensure that the product meets the needs of the funding agents

Design Team – To ensure acceptance among users in industry

Certification Team – To ensure acceptance among the certification agents for structures

Implementation Team – To ensure acceptance among the user community

Commercialization Team – To ensure commercial support of users



The Certification Team



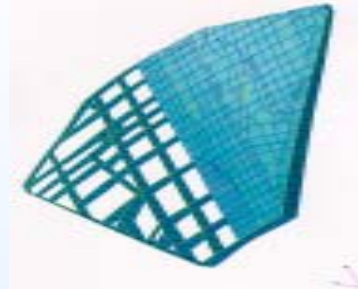
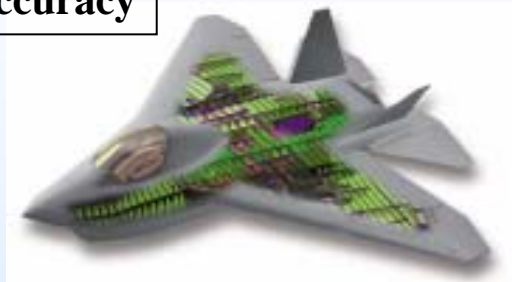
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To Insure That the Methodology, Verification, and System Validation We Do Satisfies Certifying Agencies

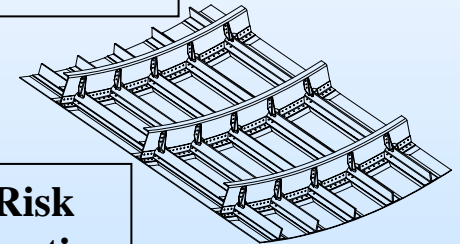


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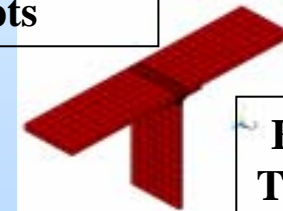
Increase Accuracy



Decrease Cycle Time



**Reduce the Risk
Of Using Innovative
Concepts**



**Focus
Testing**



Aid Material Developers

Supporting
Technologies
Analysis

Full-Scale Tests (1 to 3)

Component Tests (3 to 10)

Subcomponent Tests (~250)

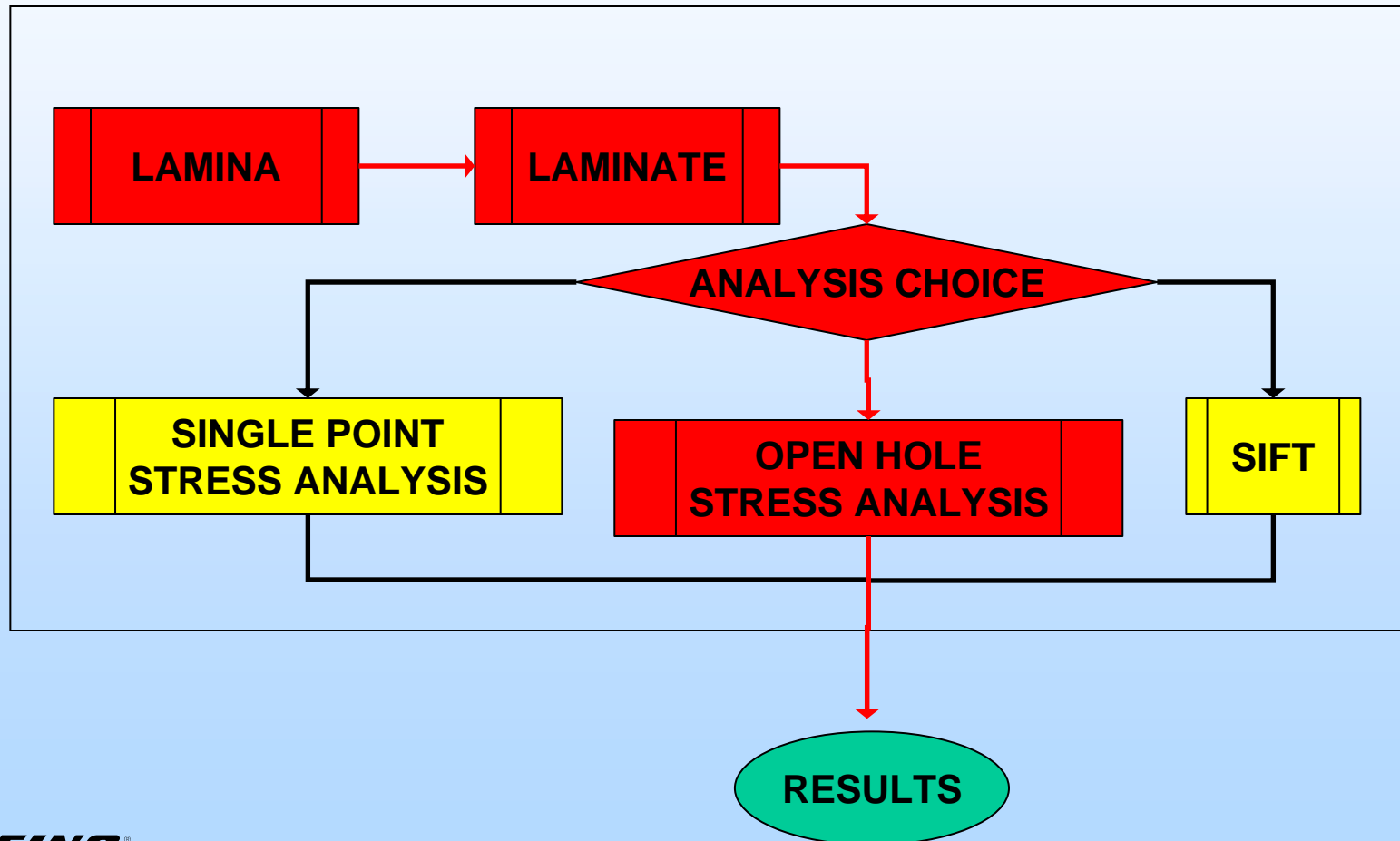
Element Tests (~2000)

Coupon Tests (~8000)



Structures Module Process

LAMINATE/STRUCTURES MODULE (w/Integrated Lamina)

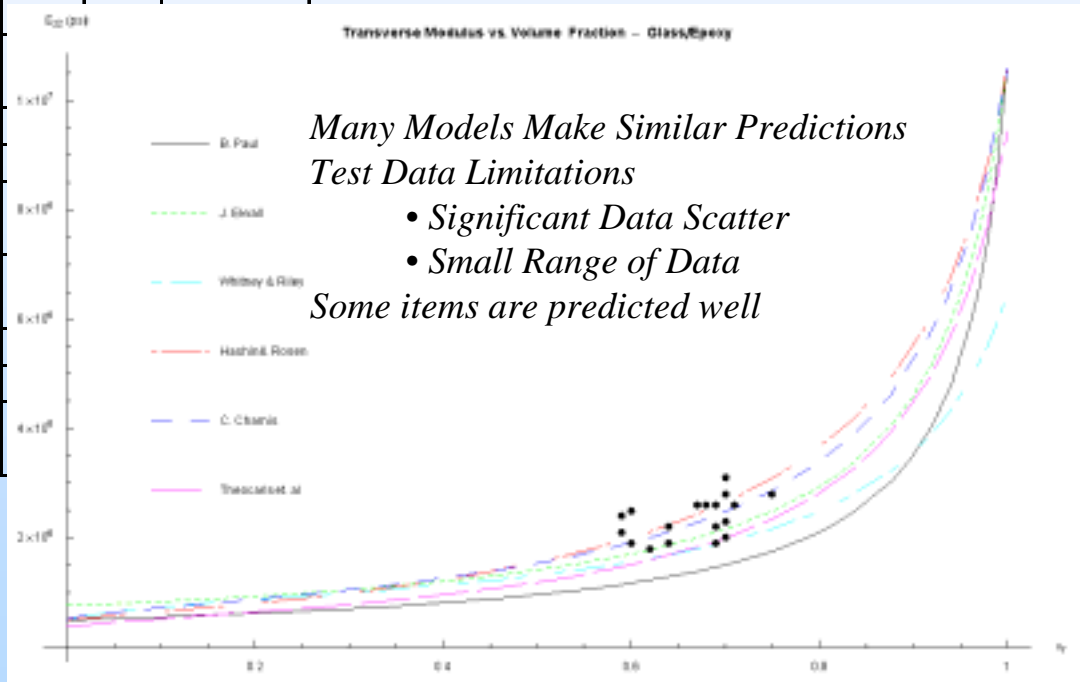




Methods – Lamina Prediction

| Attribute | Attribute Weight | Mechanics of Materials - Stress Equilibrium/ | Variational Elasticity - Contiguity/Tsai | Mechanics of Materials - Restrained Matrix/Ekvall | Exact Elasticity Solution - Finite Difference Method/Adams and Doner |
|--|------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Strong physical basis | 10 | 3 | | | |
| Good comparison with experiments | 10 | 2 | | | |
| Low data gathering cost/time | 6 | 5 | | | |
| Low computational cost | 5 | 5 | | | |
| Applicability to all continuous fibrous systems | 5 | 4 | | | |
| Clear approach, documentation, implementation | 3 | 4 | | | |
| No "tuning" requirement | 3 | 5 | | | |
| High simplicity/usability | 1 | 5 | | | |
| Total = Sum of (assigned values X attribute weight) | | 157 | | | |

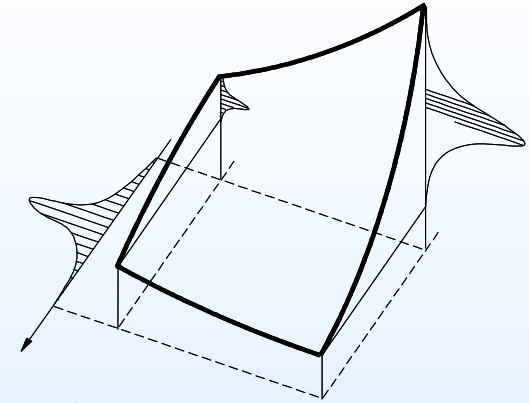
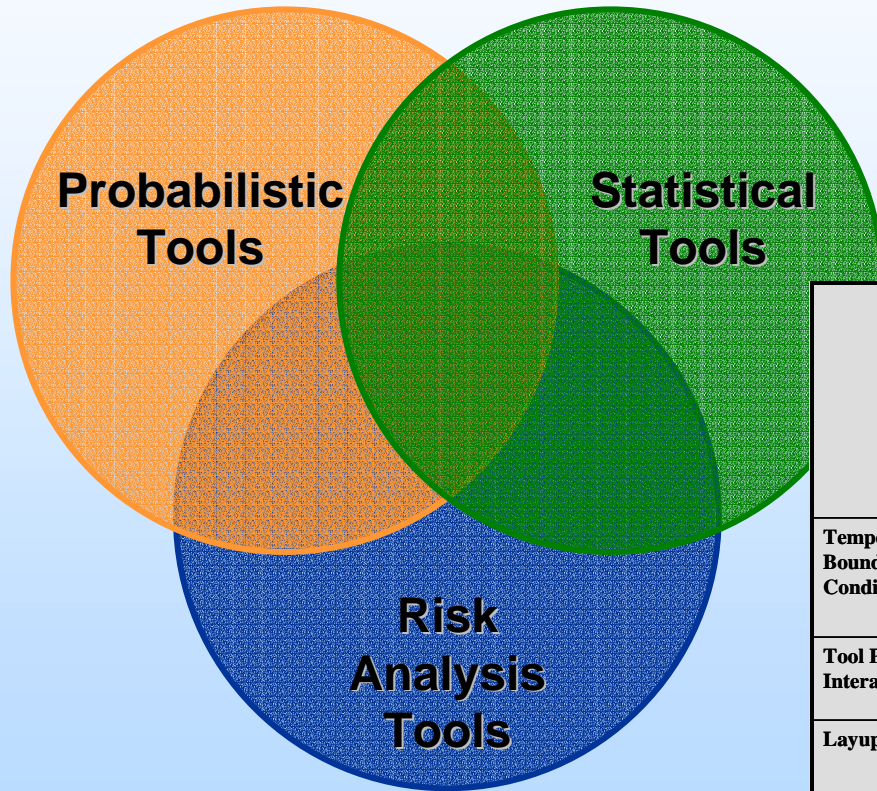
*Model Investigation, Ranking,
And Selection*



Model Accuracy Verification



Understanding Uncertainty – The Benefit of Linked Simulation Tools and Methodology



Modeling of the Process

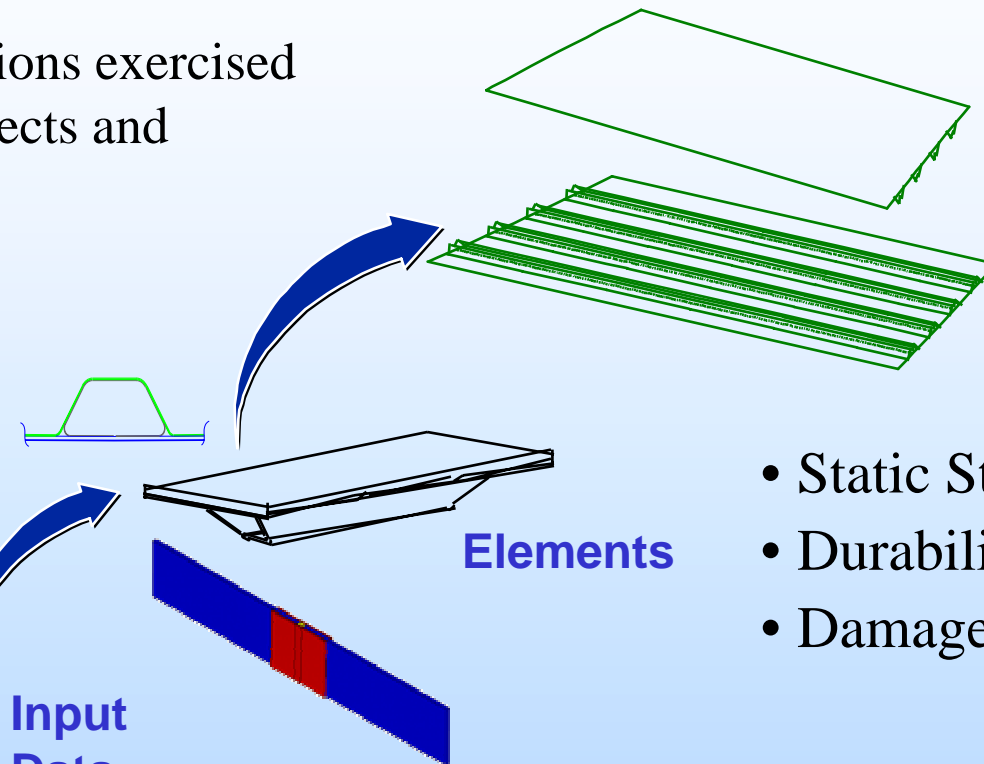
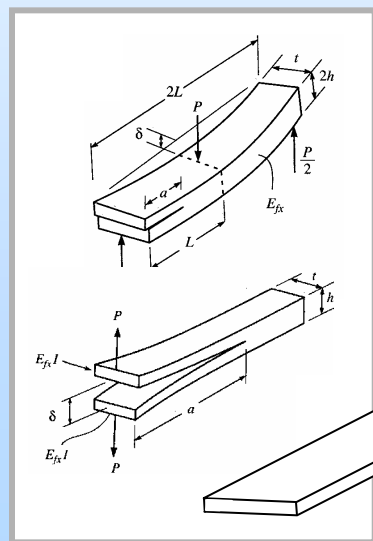
| | Inherent variations associated with physical system or the environment (Aleatory uncertainty) Also known as variability, stochastic uncertainty E.G. manufacturing variations, loading environments | Uncertainty due to lack of knowledge (Epistemic uncertainty) inadequate physics models information from expert opinions. | Known Errors (acknowledged) e.g. round-off errors from machine arithmetic, mesh size errors, convergence errors, error propagation algorithm | Mistakes (unacknowledged errors) human errors e.g. error in input/output, blunder in manufacturing |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| Temperature Boundary Conditions | Variation in temperature throughout an autoclave; variation in bagging thickness across part | Modeling of heat transfer coefficient of autoclave includes pressure effect but not shielding of part. Assumptions made about tool-part resistance. | Convergence of mesh must be checked. Time-steps and temperature steps must be small enough. | Errors in setup files, and other initialization procedures. Errors/bugs in code. |
| Tool Part Interaction | Part to part and point to point variations in tool finish and application of release agent | Tool-part interaction is very complex, and very local effects may at times be significant | Current model of tool-part interaction is too simple for large parts on high CTE tools. | Errors in calibrating the tool-part interaction |
| Layup | Variation in lay-up during hand or machine lay-up. | The layers are smeared within an element and it is assumed that the smeared response is representative | | Error in defining layup, or alternatively errors in the manufactured part compared to model |
| Residual Stresses | Many parameters can affect residual stress: local fiber volume fraction, ... | Micro-stresses are considered to be independent of meso-stresses; there are few independent measurements of residual stress. | The formulation is believed to be most accurate when the cure cycle temperature is higher than the T _g . Otherwise the residual stress calculated can be an overestimate. | Errors in material property definition, errors in coding, errors in integrating process and structural models. |



Stiffener Runout Analysis Validation Tests



Variables and interactions exercised include processing effects and defects.



- Static Strength
- Durability
- Damage Tolerance

- DCB and ENF
- J_1 and ϵ_{eqv} Laminates/Joints



How Will the System Be Used?

NAVAIR



Web-Driven

- Accessed via Internet
- Used via Internet
- Application file local
- DOME enabled
- Modules available anywhere
- Configuration controlled by user
- Application file contains configuration info

PROs most flexible

Web-Based

- Downloaded from Internet
- Used locally to create application file
- Application file local
- Modules & S/W available few locations
- Configuration controlled by application file
- DOME enables remote access to modules

PROs most controlled

Stand Alone

- Accessed locally
- Used locally to create application file
- Application file local
- Modules & S/W available locally
- Configuration controlled by application file

PROs may be only way for classified programs to use AIM-C

Welcome to AIM-C Program

File Edit View Go Communicator Help Yahoo!

Back Forward Reload Home Search Netscape Print Security Stop

Bookmarks Netsite: <http://darpa.org/aim.navy.mil>

Accelerated Insertion of Materials

Home

Application

Certification

Assembly

Design

Supportability

Cost

Schedule

Strength

Fabrication

Quality

Mat'l & Proc

Legal/Rights

Output

resin 10^{-9} m

fiber and interface 10^{-6} m

lamina 10^{-3} m

laminate 10^{-2} m

structure 1 m

assembly 10^{+2} m

Methodology

Process

New Features

Constituents to Component in the Shortest Time at Acceptable Risk

Edit Existing File

Compute Results

Save & Close

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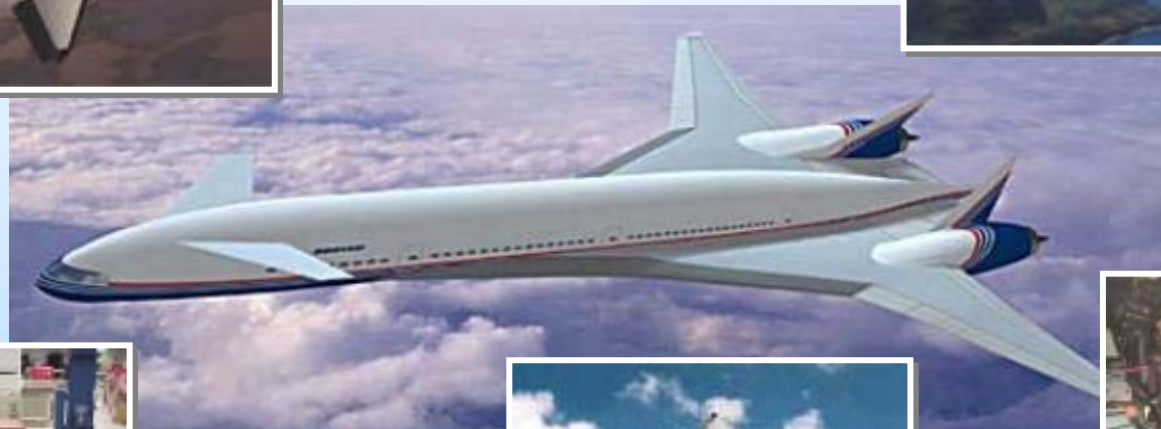
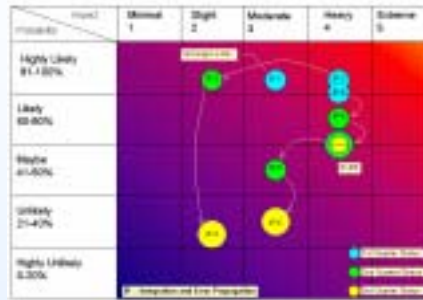
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Knowing in part may make a fine tale,
but wisdom comes from seeing the whole.*



* *Seven Blind Mice*
by Ed Young

